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regarded the Act as very unsatisfactory and very loosely worded. The present amending Bill makes the Act of 1908 worse confounded, and is likely to create greater complications, leading to greater litigation and greater waste of money. Under these circumstances, I heartily support the motion for adjournment because the Bill does not really solve the question of how the village life may be made worth living, so that more intelligent and cultured people may be induced to live in villages and to co-operate with the villagers and lift them from the present degradation in which they have fallen. Then, the zamindar will certainly help to make their lives a happy one, because in the prosperity of the tenants lies the safety of the zamindar. There is no good talking of communism or any other revolutionary movement. But if you only allow the present state of affairs to continue, it will only make the tenant desperate. His condition is already hopeless; his lands are mortgaged to the sowcar and are brought to sale for arrears of rent and he is evicted from his house and from his holding in the village; so that when he is thus let loose upon society in this fashion he will prove to be a greater danger to society than he is at present. Let the zamindar understand the difficulties of the tenant and sympathize with him, come down from his high level and do everything possible in his power to make the life of the tenant a happy and contented one, so that both of them may work together in a spirit of co-operation for the general uplift and welfare of the village community. It will be a source of gratification to the zamindar, instead of his being an object of distrust as he is now. Legislation therefore will have to be made very simple, the whole relationship being summed up in three or four sections, by which the tribunal for the settlement of all questions shall be the village panchayat consisting of the representatives of the zamindar and the ryots. The army of Tahsildars and Deputy Collectors may come in only for the purpose of helping them to solve their disputes and difficulties. As it is, the whole machinery is very very unsatisfactory. A new machinery will have to be created which will decide what exactly the villagers want and what exactly the zamindar ought to do. Then, they will understand each other, respect each other and live together amicably. Our position, I dare say, will be envisaged by the coming Legislative Councils who will be faced with the problems arising out of our present legislation. Therefore I submit that this piece of legislation is unnecessary and need not be rushed through."

The House then adjourned to meet again at 11 a.m. the next day.

VII.—PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE.

[a] 1. *Rules under the Madras Co-operative Societies Act.*

[a] 2. *G.O. No.* 3036, *L. & M., dated* 29*th July* 1933, *fixing the date of retirement of members of the Parachur Panchayat, Guntur district.*

[a] 3. *G.O. No.* 2953, *L. & M., dated* 24*th July* 1933, *extending the term of members of the Bezwada, Nuzvid and Bandar taluk boards up to* 1*st September* 1933.

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[a] 4. *List of posts on Rs.* 500 *per mensem and above created during the quarter ending* 30th *June* 1933.

[b] 5. *Statement containing statistics of revenue derived from the sale of toddy shops and the amount of tree-tax paid by sweet toddy drawers in the districts of East and West Godavari for certain years.*

[c] 6. *G.O. No.* 2982, *L. & M., dated* 26th *July* 1933, *regarding reciprocal arrangement with the Coorg Government for payment of tax under the Motor Vehicles Taxation Act,* 1931.

[d] 7. *Proceedings of the First meeting of the Finance Committee, dated* 2nd *August* 1933.

[c] 8. *G.O. No.* 3470, *L. & M., dated* 26th *August* 1933, *extending the term of members of the Bezwada, Nuzvid and Bandar taluk boards up to* 1st *November* 1933.

[c] 9. *G.O. No.* 3612, *L. & M., dated* 6th *September* 1933, *regarding reduction of tax for licences for the last month or last two months of a quarter under the Motor Vehicles Taxation Act,* 1931.

[c] 10. *G.O. No.* 3613, *L. & M., dated* 6th *September* 1933, *regarding exemption of motor vehicles belonging to the Army Department from the tax leviable under the Motor Vehicles Taxation Act,* 1931.

[e] 11. *Copy of memorandum from the South Kanara Catholic Association to the hon. the Law Member regarding the withdrawal of forest concessions* (vide *supplementary question to Question No.* 55 *answered on* 2nd *August* 1933).

[f] 12. *Copies of letter from the Conservator of Forests, Ootacamund Circles, Ref. No.* 119/32, *dated the* 28th *March* 1932, *and letter from the Chief Conservator of Forests, No.* 2537/31-C-1, *dated* 5th *August* 1932, *regarding forest concessions in South Kanara* (vide *supplementary question to Question No.* 73 *answered on* 2nd *August* 1933).

[c] 13. *G.O. No.* 3797, *L. & M., dated* 15th *September* 1933, *extending the terms of members of certain panchayats.*

[c] 14. *G.O. No.* 3720, *L. & M., dated* 11th *September* 1933, *notifying the transfer of villages from the jurisdiction of the Madura District Board to that of the Trichinopoly District Board.*

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Secretary to the Legislative Council.

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[a] Printed as Appendix X on pages 128–129 infra.
[b] Printed as Appendix XI on page 130 infra.
[c] Published in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*
[d] Printed separately.
[e] Printed as Appendix XII on pages 130–134 infra.
[f] Printed as Appendix XIII on pages 135–139 infra.